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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the <u>Department of Health home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Benton County

In August 2011 the Dental Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential of dental assistant **Rebecca C. Chavez** (D160179224) for failing to comply with an agreed order to get a substance abuse evaluation and follow resulting recommendations.

Douglas County

In August 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program indefinitely suspended the credential of chemical dependency professional trainee **Kaycee M. Cook** (CO60159228), after she failed to comply with an agreed order to get a substance abuse evaluation and follow resulting recommendations.

King County

In August 2011 the Department of Health denied the application for massage practitioner credential of **Seth W. Patterson** (MA 60230442) He was charged with theft, reckless driving, and other crimes.

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In August 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Trainee Program suspended the credential of **Keith R. Sellers** (CO60147339) for failing to comply with an agreed order to get a substance abuse evaluation and follow resulting recommendations, which included entering a monitoring program.

In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Dawn M. Brown** (RN60026002) due to cocaine use identified in drug testing.

In August 2011 the Medical Quality Assurance Commission withdrew charges against physician **David S. Roys** (MC00010221).

Kitsap County

In August 2011 the Secretary of Health suspended the credential of nursing assistant **Annette K. Cochrane** (NA000051149) for failing to comply with an agreed order to provide quarterly performance evaluations or declarations of unemployment.

Pierce County

In August 2011 the Secretary of Health suspended the credential of nursing assistant **Jamie M. Gonder** (NA00098625) for five years for financially exploiting a client.

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of nursing assistant **Tracy A. Powell** (NC10024365) for failing to comply with an agreed order to get a substance abuse evaluation and follow resulting recommendations.

Spokane County

In August 2011 the Massage Practitioner Program suspended the credential of massage practitioner **Jeffery D. White, II** (MA60176572) for failing to comply with an agreed order to seek a substance abuse evaluation.

In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Nancy D. Blake** (00156969) for diverting medication from a patient for personal use.

In August 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Dorothy Lou Wessels** (NC10018884) for three years due to felony convictions for delivering marijuana and involving a minor in drug dealing.

Whatcom County

In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential of licensed practical nurse **Julie A. Milstead** (00053623) for kissing a patient and developing an unprofessional personal relationship with the patient.

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Out of State

Alaska: In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Jacqueline K. Olsen** (RN60040058) for failing to complete a required substance abuse evaluation and submit a copy of the evaluation.

Georgia: In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission summarily suspended the credential of registered nurse **David B. Waters** (RN60182762) after he voluntarily surrendered his Oregon nursing license. The Oregon State Board of Nursing alleged that he was impaired by alcohol while working as a behavioral health nurse manager.

Maryland: In August 2011 the Nursing Care Quality Assurance Commission suspended the credential of registered nurse **Jean A. Simmons** (RN00153348) because her Virginia credential was revoked by the Virginia Board of Nursing.

Oregon: In August 2011 the Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery suspended the credential of osteopathic physician **Marcus Weiner** (DO.OP0001798), following indefinite suspension of his Oregon credential.

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